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SUBJECT: SOVIET SURVEILLANCE DEPLOYMENTS FROM CONAKRY

WILLIAM NELSON, THIRD SECRETARY, AUSTRALIAN HIGH
COMMISSION ACCRA, SPENT 22 FEBRUARY IN CONAKRY ON FIRST
OFFICIAL AUSTRALIAN VISIT IN SEVERAL YEARS. DURING
CALL UPON FARIDY HILAL, DEPUTY DIRECTOR FONOFF POLITICAL
DIVISION, NELSON NOTED PRESENCE OF SOVIET TU-95 BOMBERS
AT CONAKRY AIRPORT AND ASKED HOW THEIR DEPLOYMENT RELATED
TO GUINEAN NONALIGNMENT. ACCORDING TO NELSON, HILAL
RATHER GULPED AND THEN EXPLAINED THAT WHEN WESTERN
NATIONS ABANDONED GUINEA FOLLOWING INDEPENDENCE IN 1958
GOG HAD HAD TO TURN FOR SUPPORT TO SOVIET UNION. THIS
HAD LED TO DEVELOPMENT OF SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN
GOG AND USSR OF WHICH MILITARY AIRCRAFT DEPLOYMENT WAS
ONE MANIFESTATION. COMMENT: THIS RATIONALE

OF SOVIET MILITARY DEPLOYMENTS
FROM A MIDDLE LEVEL OFFICIAL SEEMS REFRESHINGLY
CANDID COMPARED TO USUAL STORY THAT SOVIET
AIRCRAFT ARE HERE TO DEFEND GUINEA'S FRONTIERS.
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